Sierra Buttes Trail Stewardship

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by Applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the Applicant's application.

If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities. Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding. Additionally, Applicants may not charge a use fee for vehicles and/or Equipment purchased with OHV Trust Funds, except for fuel and minor maintenance cost.

Applicants are reminded that no grant funds and/or match can be expended or project activities conducted in any land owned or managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #1 Applicant's information must match that of land manager.
- #2 #5, Applicant must verify response by final submission.
- #7c Narrative does not support the selection. "Education programs, maps".
 Applicant must verify that the maps address OHV trespass and respect for private property.
- #11b Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must identify the specific, Applicant and/or Land Manager initiated, educational events to support selection.
- #13 Applicant must verify response by final submission.

Ground Operations	G17-04-68-G01
Project Description	

Tahoe National Forest (TNF) has also applied for a Ground Operations
 Project. Applicant must ensure TNF's time spent assisting with this Project is
 not claimed in TNF's Ground Operations grant if awarded.

Project Cost Estimate

- This Application has significantly increased over prior year's Application. Applicant must clarify the price increase in the Project Description.
- Staff Positions #2, #5, #6, and #7 have different pay rates. Also, these rates are higher than prior year's application. Applicant must provide clarification.
- Contracts "Tahoe NF Public Service Officer" Applicant must ensure Tahoe National Forest contributed Match is not being claimed in the Tahoe National Forest Ground Operations Project Application. Also, Applicant must move to the Staff Cost Category.
- Materials/Supplies "Chainsaw Maintenance" and "Motorcycle Maintenance" are Equipment Use expenses and must be moved to the Equipment Use cost Category. Also, for "Motorcycle Maintenance", Applicant must explain how many motorcycles it purposes maintaining on the Project.
- Equipment Use Expense "Motorcycle Rental", Applicant must provide more details for how the costs were determined including how many motorcycles it anticipates renting for use on the Project.

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 Narrative does not support stakeholder meetings. Applicant must provide the locations of the stakeholder meetings.
- #5 Applicant must explain how each partner will participate in this Project.
- #6 Narrative does not support "Providing an alternative to wet crossings...", and "Protecting special status species". Applicant must provide additional details/examples explaining how selections would be accomplished. Note the "Providing alternative to wet crossing..." selection is for items being created vs. maintained.
- #7 Project Cost Estimate does not support "Signs, sign posts..." or "Paper used for trail maps..."